

STATE OF MICHIGAN JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - FAMILY DIVISION COUNTY	RELEASE OF CHILD BY PARENT	FILE NO.
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In the matter of _____
 Full name of child

1. I, _____, am the ☐ mother (Date of birth _____)
 Name ☐ father (Date of birth _____)
 of the child named above, who was born _____ at _____.
 Date Place
2. A judge or referee of the court, or other authorized person, has fully explained to me my legal rights as a parent and that I do not have to sign this release of my parental rights. I understand my parental rights and that if I do sign this release, I voluntarily give up permanently all of my parental rights to my child.
3. I understand my right to request a rehearing or to appeal within 21 days after an order is entered terminating my parental rights.
4. I have not received or been promised any money or anything of value for the release of my child except for charges and fees approved by the court.
5. Of my own free will, I give up completely and permanently my parental rights to my child, and I release my child to _____ for the purpose of adoption.
 Child placing agency or Michigan Department of Human Services

- ☐ 6. This release involves an American Indian child. The explanation given to me was in a language understood by me or interpreted into my own language if I do not speak English. This release was given more than 10 days after the birth of my child.

 Date Parent signature

 Address City State Zip

- ☐ The parent signing this release is an unemancipated minor. I am the ☐ parent
☐ guardian (copy of letters of authority attached)
☐ guardian ad litem (copy of order attached)
 of the minor parent, and I join with the minor parent in signing this release.

 Date Parent signature

 Address City State Zip

**See reverse side for certification by judge/referee
 and special acknowledgment for releases by those in the armed services or in prison**

Do not write below this line - For court use only

CERTIFICATION BY JUDGE/REFEREE

An investigation of this release has been made. At a hearing where a verbatim record of testimony was made, I explained to the parent her/his legal rights and that by signing this release, s/he was voluntarily giving up permanently her/his parental rights to the child. The parent then voluntarily signed this release before me.

☐ The parent, guardian, or guardian ad litem of the unemancipated minor parent was present during this hearing and voluntarily signed this release before me.

☐ The child named above is over 5 years of age, and the court finds that the child is best served by this release.

Date

Judge/Referee

Bar no.

In addition to completing the other side of this release, if the parent signing this release is in the armed services or is in prison, the following special acknowledgment must be completed by a person authorized by law to administer oaths.

SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I certify and acknowledge that _____ is personally known to me,
Name of parent

is presently ☐ confined ☐ stationed at _____ located at
Name of place

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ and stated

that s/he is the ☐ mother ☐ father of the child. I fully explained her/his legal rights as a parent, that s/he did not have to sign this release of her/his parental rights, and that if s/he did sign this release, s/he would be voluntarily giving up permanently her/his parental rights to the child for purposes of adoption. I also explained her/his right to a rehearing or to appeal within 21 days after an order is entered terminating her/his parental rights. The parent then voluntarily signed this release.

Subscribed and sworn to before me on _____ , _____ .
Date County and state

My commission expires: _____ Signature: _____
Date

Notary public, State of Michigan, County of _____

Notary Public: _____
Name (type or print)

Address

City, state, zip